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Ronna:

Janet forwarded your email to me. Feel free to add me to your distribution list for anything related to the East Chicago Superfund Site. Janet is our Commissioner's administrative assistant, and probably not the right person to receive these updates. Others from IDEM may also send you their contact information. Thanks and have a great weekend.



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Good morning,

Preliminary results from soil testing in zone 2 of the USS Lead Superfund site show levels of lead and arsenic at some properties that warrant further action. While the results are still being

finalized, EPA is preparing to begin cleanups this fall. Based on the early results, there are at least 20 properties out of the 136 sampled that will be targeted for cleanup this construction season, weather permitting.

This summer EPA began testing properties in zone 2 to develop an engineering plan for the cleanup of the entire site. Starting at the south edge of the zone – closest to the former USS Lead factory – to date EPA has sampled soil from 136 properties out of a total of 590. EPA will finish sampling this year and will continue addressing properties needing cleanup in the spring.

EPA will notify residents as soon as final, validated sampling results become available for their properties and outline the next steps. The data will also be posted to the EPA website with personally identifiable information, including street addresses, removed.

EPA will hold an open house on Saturday, September 24, at Riley Park from 2-5pm for zone 2 and 3 residents to discuss the cleanup process and answer any questions.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

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